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SUBJECT: ICFTU CITES SIZEABLE INCREASE IN US AID TO CHILE

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1. ARTICLES ON U.S. AID TO CHILE CITED IN HERALD TRIBUNE AND GUARDIAN ARTICLES REPORTEDLY BASED ON ICFTU STATEMENT ARE MISREPRESENTATION OF U.S. AND MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CHILE. ACTUAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE OBLIGATED BY A.I.D. DURING FY 1975 TOTALED \$20 MILLION FOR TWO DEVELOPMENT LOANS: RURAL AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES (\$15 MILLION) AND NUTRITION IMPROVEMENT (\$5 MILLION). NO FUNDS UNDER EITHER LOAN HAD BEEN DISBURSED AS OF OCTOBER 31, 1975. \$529 THOUSAND WAS GRANTED TO FINANCE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN SUCH FIELDS AS NUTRITION, COOPERATIVES DEVELOPMENT, AND SMALL FARMER TRAINING. SALES OF WHEAT UNDER PL 480 TITLE I DURING SAME PERIOD AMOUNTED TO \$57.8 MILLION AND FOOD DONATIONS FOR SCHOOL MATERNAL AND CHILD FEEDING PROGRAMS UNDER PL 480 TITLE II TOTALED APPROXIMATELY \$5 MILLION. THE COMPARABLE FIGURE FOR FY 1974 IS \$3.6 MILLION FOR PL 480 TITLE II AND \$400 THOUSAND FOR GRANT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND GRADUATE TRAINING IN THE U.S. NO A.I.D. LOANS WERE REQUESTED OR MADE DURING THE ALLENDE ADMINISTRATION ALTHOUGH SOME \$8 MILLION WAS DISBURSED UNDER ON GOING LOANS.

2. DURING 1975 THE IMF PROVIDED STAND-BY AND OIL FACILITY ASSISTANCE TOTALING APPROXIMATELY \$190 MILLION. THE IBRD MADE ONE LOAN FOR AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT AMOUNTING TO \$20 MILLION; THE U.N. IS PROVIDING APPROXIMATELY \$4 MILLION ANNUALLY IN GRANT ADVISORY ASSISTANCE AS PART OF A FIVE YEAR PLAN NOW IN ITS THIRD YEAR.

3. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT CEASED PROVIDING NEW GRANT MILITARY TRAINING TO CHILE ON DECEMBER 30, 1974 IN ACCORDANCE WITH LEGISLATION ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS. ALSO, THE USG PROVIDED NO FOREIGN MILITARY SALES LOANS TO CHILE IN FY 1975 AND HAS NOT REQUESTED APPROPRIATIONS FOR EITHER GRANT ASSISTANCE OR FMS LOANS IN FY 1976. BY CONTRAST, DURING FY 1974, THE U.S. GOVERNMENT PROVIDED \$912 THOUSAND IN GRANT MILITARY TRAINING AND \$15 MILLION IN FOREIGN MILITARY SALES LOANS FOR THE PURCHASE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT.

4. LONDON AND PARIS AT THEIR DISCRETION MAY USE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITIES TO BRING THESE FACTS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE GUARDIAN AND HERALD TRIBUNE, AND CORRESPONDENTS PALERM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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